

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 26, 2010

President Pro-Tem Ann DeVore called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. Opening Prayer was given by George Denholm from St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the high school students from Columbus North High School.
- C. Roll Call was taken. Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Martha Myers, Joseph Richardson and Priscilla Scalf were present. James Lienhoop was absent.
- D. Joseph Richardson moved to approve the minutes from the City Council meeting of October 6, 2010. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

None

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO.22, 2010, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1-7." (Nagakura Engineering Works Co., Inc) Jim Clouse with Community Development along with Sharon Sharp and Kay Lord representing Nagakura Engineering Works Co., Inc. presented this request for tax abatement. They requested tax abatement for manufacturing equipment in the amount of \$1, 910,000. Jim Clouse presented an amended Statement of Benefits of Personal Property reflecting new numbers from Nagakura Engineering Works Co., Inc. because they had received a new customer. Sharon Sharp indicated the company would be hiring ten (10) new employees instead of eight (8). Brief discussion followed. Joseph Richardson stated the Incentive Review Committee had met prior to Council meeting and found Nagakura Engineering Works Co., Inc. to be in substantial compliance. Joseph Richardson made a motion to approve the Resolution. Priscilla Scalf seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

B. First Reading of a Ordinance entitled “ ORDINANCE NO._____, 2010 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCOME TAX REVENUE BONDS.”
(Outdoor Sports Complex) Ed Curtin, Redevelopment Director, along with Bruce Donaldson from Barnes and Thornburg and Hershel Frierson from Crowe Horwath presented this Ordinance. Ed Curtin gave a brief overview of the outdoor sports complex project. He indicated bids had been opened on the project. He went on to state how the EDIT would be used to pay for the project. President Pro-Tem Ann DeVore opened the floor for comments from the public. Approximately six (6) people spoke of concerns with the project and/or the way it is being financed. Approximately four (4) people spoke in favor of the project. Bruce Donaldson made a few comments regarding questions that were asked by the audience. Discussion followed. Council member Priscilla Scalf indicated all of her feedback about the project had been positive and she then made a motion to place this Ordinance in proper channels. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

IV. Other Business

- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- B. Next regular meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 3, 2010** at 6:00 o’clock P.M. in City Hall.
- C. Joseph Richardson moved to adjourn the meeting. Martha Myers seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:40 o’clock P.M.

Presiding Officer

Attest:

City Clerk Treasurer